California Postsecondary Education Commission Improving Teacher Quality State Grants Program **Project Description** Project SMART: Integrating Science, Mathematics, Reading and Technology in the Primary **Project Title** Grades Grant Amount: \$901,405 Grant Period: 2007-2011 Grade Level: K-2 Subject Matter: Science, Math, Reading and Technology Institute of Higher □ Chapman University, Orange Education Local Education □ Anaheim City School District Agency Additional Partners: Orange County Department of Education Need for Project SMART will serve an estimated total of 90 practicing K-2 teachers, 90 aspiring Proiect/ elementary school teachers enrolled in their teacher preparation program at Chapman University. Population To and 2250 K-2 students. Be Served: Project Goals: Project SMART aims to embed literacy (reading and writing) instruction within the content areas of science and math at the primary grades, and to infuse technology throughtout the curriculum, with the goal of raising teachers' content and pedagogy skills and student achievement in all areas. Summary of Activities: The 90 K-2 teachers will be enrolled in two "cohort" groups. Forty-five teachers (fifteen at each grade level) will engage in professional development activities beginning in spring 2008; the remaining 45 teachers will join in the project one year later in spring 2009. All teachers will attend a two-day introduction training the first spring that they are enrolled in the project, and a five-day SMART Summer Institute the first summer. Teachers will then engage in additional professional learning community (PLC) group meetings throughout the school year, and a follow-up two day Summer Institute their second year of enrollment. At the professional development sessions, Chapman science and mathematics faculty will work with practicing Anaheim City School District teachers and future elementary teachers enrolled in Chapman's teacher education program on their understanding of science, math, and technology, while Chapman education faculty will work with participants on strategies for delivering science-based integrated instruction in the primary grades. Outcomes Expected: Increased teacher capacity for high-quality science and math instruction ☐ Increased teacher knowledge of science and math content ☐ Increased infusion of technology into K-2 classrooms Increased student achievement in science, reading, and math Teachers Students 2250 K-2 90 practicing, 90 preservice Served Served Project Website: www.project-smart.org Email: Email: Roxanne Greitz Miller rgmiller@chapman.edu kbarrett@acsd.k12.ca.us Kelley Barrett **IHE Contact** LEA Contact Phone: Phone: 714-628-2628 (714) 517-7530 x 4133